

**METHODS AND REAGENTS FOR THE TREATMENT OF DISEASES  
AND DISORDERS ASSOCIATED WITH INCREASED LEVELS OF  
PROINFLAMMATORY CYTOKINES**

**Abstract of the Invention**

The invention features a method for treating a patient diagnosed with, or at risk of developing, an immunoinflammatory disorder by administering an SSRI or analog or metabolite thereof and, optionally, a corticosteroid or other compound to the patient. The invention also features a pharmaceutical composition containing an SSRI or analog or metabolite thereof and a corticosteroid or other compound for the treatment or prevention of an immunoinflammatory disorder.